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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified
patent application as indicated below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the first paragraph of the specification, after the title of the invention, and substitute therefor the following:

--This is a division of Application 08/994,758 filed December 19, 1997, which is an application for reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,477,304 issued December 19, 1995, which matured from Application No. 08/377,504, which is a continuation of Application No. 08/139,803 filed October 22, 1993.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel original Claims 1-34 without prejudice.

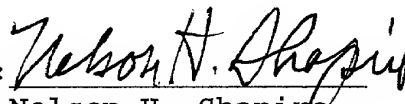
REMARKS

This divisional reissue application is being filed to present new Claims 35-41 for examination. Original Claims 1-34 have been cancelled. Claims 35-41 are supported by Figs. 4, 5A and 5B described in column 11, line 27, to column 13, line 27.

In due course, Applicant will file a Declaration and a Consent of Assignee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 22-0585 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, such extension is hereby requested.

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